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Case Number: C15-2016-0035, 8401, 03, 09 and 13 South 1st St.

Contact: Leane Heldenfels, 512-974-2202, leane.heldenfels@austintexas.gov

Public Hearing: Board of Adjustment, April 11th, 2016

Amy Barth

Your Name (please print)

☐ I am in favor
☒ I object

8210 Alcorn Circle, Austin, TX 78748

Your address(es) affected by this application

Amy K. Barth

Signature

4-8-16

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-784-2370

Comments: Please see attached.

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned via:

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Leane Heldenfels
P. O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-1088

Fax: (512) 974-6305

Email: leane.heldenfels@austintexas.gov

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From: Amy Barth, 8210 Alcorn Circle, Austin, TX 78748

RE: Case Number C15-2016-0035, 8401, 03, 09, and 13 South 1st Street.

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I object to the requested variances.

The zoning laws and land development codes are in place to protect homeowners from the overreach of commercial properties that impact the quality of life of neighboring homes and neighborhoods, as well as property values and privacy.

My house is downhill from the property that is requesting variances to build closer to my property and higher than the current codes allow. I personally enjoy my view of the sky and fear that taller and closer buildings behind my home will take it away altogether—the issue being exacerbated by the downhill aspect of my home. I also don't favor having the potential for any number of neighbors to be able to see directly into my backyard from their decks and windows. To allow such variances not only allows these builders to impact the sky view (which has its own intrinsic value), but also allows the resulting buildings to detract from the property value of my home. No one wants to live with up to 10 or more families peering over them from 20 feet (instead of 25) away—which will only be easier to do with the added height (36 feet rather than 30 OR 45 rather than 40) and the downhill setting of my property.

Add in the potential for increased traffic with a variance requesting to be ZERO feet from an adjoining property and my property is now exposed to traffic noise and becomes "peer-into-able" from any number of passing vehicles as well! I feel like my privacy is being taken away whether I like it or not, and AT LEAST I should be able to have the current set of city codes to protect me as much as possible.

Allowing these variances is doing the opposite of protecting me and my neighbors from such encroachment. These homes have been here since the late 1970s and I feel as if the homeowners living here should be able to expect the city to protect our interests as much as possible.

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- and:
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Gretchen McIntyre

Your Name (please print)

8301 Belclaire Circle

Your address(es) affected by this application

Gretchen McIntyre 04/02/16

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-291-0949

Comments: Two Story Apartment

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Leane Heldenfels
 Your Name (please print)

☐ I am in favor
☒ I object

8301 Belshire Circle
 Your address(es) affected by this application

LMG
 Signature

4/2/16
 Date

Daytime Telephone: *512.291.0449*

Comments: *No more than 2 story height limit.*

Thank you

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Barbara Borman
Your Name (please print)

☐ I am in favor
☒ I object

8207 Alcorn Circle
Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature _____ Date _____

Daytime Telephone: 512-633-2609

Comments: I respectfully ask the Board of Adjustment to reject the petition for a variance to the original rezoning decision (December 1912) of this property. In this rezoning decision the city considered the expressed concerns of this neighborhood in terms of building height, egress, density, etc. in rezoning of the property. It is disheartening to see the re-petition by the current property owner for variances which would negate the zoning restrictions compatibility standards along boundary lines adjoining our neighborhood: "No structure be built within 25 feet of the property line; No structure in excess of two stories or 30 feet in height may be constructed within 50 feet of the property line; No structure in excess of three stories or 40 feet in height may be constructed within 100 feet of the property line; No parking or driveways are allowed within 25 feet of the property line." Please consider the impact of the request for land development code variance on our quiet, peaceful neighborhood.

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